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Applicant: Andrew Sharp, et al. § Group Art 2684 § Unit: Serial No: 09/493,487 § Examiner: Nguyen, Tu X § Filed: January 28, 2000 §

For: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, METHODS OF MANAGING A COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND MOBILE USER EQUIPMENT

## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

I, Andrew Sharp, declare and say that:

- Martin Stümpert and I are co-inventors of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the above-identified application.
- 2. At all times set forth herein, we were employed as engineers with Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (publ) (hereinafter "Ericsson") in Germany. Ericsson is the assignee of the above-identified application.
- 3. Prior to October 23, 1998, we conceived of the subject matter of the present invention described in the invention disclosure (Exhibit A) submitted to the Ericsson Patent Department on October 30, 1998 for processing of a patent application. On January 11, 1999, the patent engineer in charge and we met with outside counsel, authorizing preparation of a patent application.
- 5. On January 21, 1999, a draft of the patent application was forwarded from outside counsel to us for our review (Exhibit B).
  - 6. On January 31, 1999, a European Application was filed (Exhibit C).
- 7. During this time period, our activities regarding filing of the application were never suspended and it was always our intention to diligently move towards the filing of the application.
- 8. All of the activities described above occurred in the WTO country of Germany.

We declare that all statements made herein of our knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and that

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these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Andrew Sharp

Date: 29th March 2004

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